

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTIES OF ARANSAS §
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CITY OF ARANSAS PASS §

On this the 13th day of April, 2015 the City Council of the City of Aransas Pass convened in a Special Meeting being open to the Public at the regular meeting place thereof in the City Hall and notice of said meeting giving the time, place, date and subject hereof having been posted and prescribed by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code with the following attendance to wit constituting a quorum.

PRESENT:	Adan Chapa	Mayor
	Vickie Abrego	Mayor Pro Tem
	Ramiro Gomez	Council Member
	Billy Ellis	Council Member
	Phillip Hyatt	Council Member

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATIVE
PERSONNEL PRESENT:

ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL ABSENT:	Allen Lawrence	City Attorney
	Sylvia Carrillo	City Manager
	Yvonne Stonebraker	City Secretary

STAFF PRESENT:	Amanda Torres	Administrative Assistant
	Donna Cox	Finance Director
	Robert Brake	Code Compliance Officer
	Jeff Martin	IT Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Pat Veteto & Carlos Martinez/RVE, Mike Moore, Natalia Lamas

There may have been others present who did not sign in.

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER.**

Mayor Chapa opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

2. **CONSIDER AND ACT ON CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR CONCRETE BULKHEAD REPAIR, CONN BROWN HARBOR, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$34,500.00.**

Motion Made By: Council member Hyatt
Seconded By: Council member Ellis
Votes: Aye Abrego, Gomez, Hyatt, Ellis, Chapa

Discussion: City Manager Carrillo explained that a bid was received to replace a 150 foot section of wall, which amounted to around \$322,000. Mr. Pat Veteto explained that as the construction company started driving sheet piles, parts of the bulkhead were falling away. The item presented would correct this by building a timber whaler. City Manager Carrillo asked why timber as opposed to another material. Mr. Veteto replied that timber was cheaper and would not corrode. Mr. Carlos Martinez explained that the repair would prevent the vibration that causes the project to wiggle. Council member Hyatt asked if just the cap was falling apart. Mr. Martinez replied that the panels were falling forward. They were looking at two existing ties to make the connection.

Mr. Mike Moore said the disrepair was far from his restaurant. The concrete is so old. The survey conducted by the dive company identified that the section located by his business was in the poorest condition and that Mr. Martinez had seen it for himself. Mayor Pro Tem Abrego asked for more detail. Mr. Martinez explained that it would be a timber whaler. It would require them to drill holes but the walls won't fail. They are currently using a barge to rest against the wall. They are dealing with crumbling infrastructure, and they are having difficulty pulling the wall out. He said he was hoping the vibration doesn't induce further damage. Mr. Veteto added that the best thing to do would be to repair the wall. Mr. Martinez said they were trying to at least do the repair to get the associated grant closed. Council member Ellis asked what the life span of the repair would be. Mr. Martinez replied that the tieback rod and whaler would possibly last about ten years. A new cap would last more than fifty years. The whaler design is a temporary hold but it is a permanent piece of material. Mr. Moore added that there was a new ten foot cap but the whole cap beyond that is cracked. Pieces are falling off. It is very temporary fix and it will continue to fall in. Mr. Martinez said that this would be the best minimum approach. Mayor Pro Tem stated that the City should start planning and budgeting for a remediation within ten years. Council member Gomez asked how expensive it was to replace the cap. Mr. Martinez said he would have to ask the contractor. A cap and tieback survey was done. The cap was done to hold the tieback in place. The tierods would need to be replaced as well.

Council member Hyatt made a motion to approve Change Order #1 for Concrete Bulkhead Repair, Conn Brown Harbor, in an amount not to exceed \$34,500.00. Council member Ellis seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

3. **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING.**

Motion Made By: Council member Ellis
Seconded By: Council member Gomez
Votes: Aye: Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa

Discussion: Council member Ellis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council member Gomez seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. 7:17 p.m.

Adan Chapa, Mayor

Attest:

Yvonne Stonebraker, City Secretary